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Customer Number 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 05725.0776

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Jean-Louis H. GUERET ) Group Art Unit: 3751  
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Application No.: 09/691,944 ) Examiner: H. Le  
)  
Filed: October 20, 2000 )  
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For: APPLICATOR DEVICE FOR )  
APPLYING A LIQUID PRODUCT )

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

In an election of species requirement dated February 5, 2002, the Examiner required an election of species under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between the following species identified by the Examiner:

Species I: Figs. 1, 2, 7, 9, 10a, 12, and 13;

Species II(a): Figs. 3-4, 8, 10b-11g; and

Species II(b): Figs. 5 and 6.

The Examiner also required Applicant to list all of the claims directed to the elected species.

Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute Species II(b) of Figs. 5 and 6. Claims 1-3, 7-10, 13, and 18-84 are directed to this elected species.

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that at least claims 1-3 and 18-63 are generic. Applicant acknowledges the Examiner's indication that Applicant will be

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entitled to consideration of claims written in dependent form or otherwise including all of the limitations of an allowed generic claim.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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